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January 8, 2004

The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
500 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, California 90012

Dear Supervisors:

**ACCEPTANCE OF A MONETARY GIFT FROM THE DECEDENT ESTATE OF LEWIS
HYMAN STILLERMAN TO LAC+USC MEDICAL CENTER TO SUPPORT THE
TREATMENT AND CARE OF LUPUS PATIENTS**
(All Districts) (3 Votes)

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

Authorize the Director of Health Services, or his designee, to accept an unrestricted monetary gift from the decedent estate of Lewis Hyman Stillerman of approximately \$33,000, to support the care and treatment of lupus patients treated at LAC+USC Medical Center.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION:

The purpose of the recommended action is to allow the Department of Health Services to supplement its funding through an unrestricted gift from the decedent estate of Lewis Hyman Stillerman as bequeathed in his will in the approximate amount of \$33,000, to support the care and treatment of lupus patients at LAC+USC Medical Center (LAC+USC).

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING:

There are no net County costs involved in this action. Funding will be incorporated into the Department of Health Service's budget for use in LAC+USC's Fiscal Year 2003-04 budget.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS:

Lewis Hyman Stillerman's will was admitted to probate in October 2002. His will, dated June 7, 1995, gives the entire residue of his estate to various charitable organizations, including 10% to the Los Angeles County +USC Lupus Clinic. Francisco Quismorio is the Director of Rheumatology Services at

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LAC+USC Medical Center which provides treatment and medical care to patients suffering from lupus, as well as, those patients with rheumatology and arthritis. According to Dr. Quismorio, the lupus clinic operates every Tuesday. The executor of the probate estate has completed his administration and filed a final accounting with the court. The distribution of the estate including the gift to LAC+USC is pending. In recognition of the value of the medical services provided to lupus patients by the County, the decedent has bequeathed an unrestricted gift in the amount of approximately \$33,000, to support LAC+USC lupus services.

CONTRACTING PROCESS:

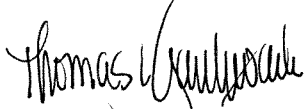
Not applicable.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES OR PROJECTS:

The decedent's gift will assist LAC+USC Medical Center in continuing its efforts to serve the residents of Los Angeles County suffering from lupus.

When approved, this Department requires three signed copies of the Board's action.

Respectfully submitted,



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